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Great News from the NORTH;
GIVING
A True Account and RELATION
OF THE
Seizing of several Great Officers, Soldiers, and other
Eminent Persons; Particularly, One of the late
King's Domestick Servants:
TOGETHER
With their Horses, Arms, and other Considerable
Booty; designed, as is supposed, for Ireland.

Licensed, and Enter'd according to Order.

Since Almighty Providence has so Signally manifested its Power, in the Preservation of these Kingdoms, from the Bondage of Popery and Slavery; we cannot but wonder, that there should be any of that Faction remaining to Support so Tottering a Cause. And yet it is too Evident, by the Sedulous Endeavours of our Implacable Adversaries, that we have still too many Incendiaries and Beautifous amongst us, as to raise that Fading Smoak into a Flame. These are the people, whose very Rudiments and Fundamentals distill into them the principles of Cruelty and Rebellion; that have Commission for Murder, and Dispensation for Destroying Hereticks. But all their Stratagems are in vain: nor can it now be expected that any reasonable person should be so Infiltrated, as once to suffer it to enter into his mind to bring us back from a Flourishing people, a settled Throne, and a Unanimous Establishment, to a Voluntary Bondage; or Subject the Serenity of a Halcyon Calm, to the Storms and Tempests of a threatening Tyranny: Yet notwithstanding the Tranquility which these Nations sensibly feel and possess under the Benigne Influence of so Gracious a King and Queen, Established in the Throne, and the Assurance we have of the Protestant Religion, confirm'd to us with all our Rights and Liberties; there are yet a sort of Male-contents amongst us, that, like the *Murmuring Israelites*, despise the *Manna*, that Heaven showers round about their Tents, the true Religion, and Light of the Gospel that shined upon them; and Lust after the Ornaments, and Flesh-pots of *Egypt*. These are the *Murmurs*, that are unadvisedly desirous to bring us back to the Flesh-pots of *Egypt*; The Bondage we have so lately and miraculously Escaped. Of this sort are those, who by a Treacherous Revolt, (at least Neglect) betray'd their Trust in *Ireland*, to the great prejudice of the present happy Establishment of this Nation, and the Protestant Interest in that Kingdom; that Interest which they thought to have utterly subdued,

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crush'd and oppress'd by an Insulting power of *French* and *Irish Papists*; and that with all the Demonstrations of Cruelty, that could be expected from a more Incens'd and Barbarous Enemy. And not only in *Ireland*, but the Kingdom of *Scotland*, where some have fall'n under the suspicion of Undutifulness and Disloyalty, and yet some of them professing themselves *Protestants*. But that an *Hero English* Soul shou'd so Degenerate, is to be more admir'd, if not deplor'd. Yet it seems amongst us, there are not some wanting, who after so great a Deliverance, are desirous (if it lay in their power) to inflame their Native Land, and appear Reprobates to the Grace is offer'd to them. This is the Subject of our present Matter, and appears by these Gentlemen and Fugitives mentioned in this Narrative, who have endeavour'd to get off to the profess'd Enemy, and Disturber of the Peace and Tranquility of these Kingdoms: and labour to break the wholesome Measures, hitherto taken for our Security. And tho' these Incendiaries of the Nation, and disturbers of our publick peace, have found all their Attempts hitherto unsuccessful, through the Vigilance of those who are in Authority; Yet do they still, like *Cataline*, attempt higher ills, although it be to their own Destruction.

Amongst this numerous Train, whose Persons as well as Intreagues have been from time to time detected, the following persons have been lately Discover'd with a Design of going over into *Ireland* to joyn Arms with those Combined Rebels, the *French* and *Irish*, against the present Government.

The Principal of these Persons now taken and secur'd, was Col. *L---*, Brother to an eminent Peer of this Realm, with whom was one *Haywood*, another Eminent Officer, and several more. Enquiry was made into that matter, and it appearing more and more suspicious, that there was some design on foot to raise Commotions, or to get over to the *Papist* party in *Ireland*, such diligence was used by the Officers of the *Militia* and others, that for the preventing the Mischiefs that might arise through neglect, the said Colonel, and above twelve persons of Note more were secured, in order to their being examined, and brought up to *London*; their Horses were likewise seiz'd, with valuable Materials and Furniture: And amongst the number of those taken, we have an Express by a Letter, that upon scrutiny and strict Examination, one of them appears to be, or very lately to have been, the late King *James's* Domestick Servant; by whose further Examination, it is not doubted a great Light may be given into the dark Contrivances, and underhand Dealings; so that the secret Intreagues of the *Papists*, and their Agents may be blasted, and utterly defeated in these Kingdoms; and that as they all along have experienced, they may find, that they are but vain Projectors, since their Wisdom is ever luckily turned into Foolishness; and that God being on our side, it is evident, that Man's Counsels and Devices cannot prosper against the Strength of an Almighty Arm, who has Power to Will and to Do what ever he pleases in Heaven, and in Earth.

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A true and particular
A C C O U N T

Of the Total Defeat of

Coll. *SARSFEILD* and his PARTY,

Not far from

B E L L I S H A N N O N ;

Occasioned by the intercepting of a Letter from Coll. *Sarsfeild* to *Monsieur d' Avaux*, General of the *French* Forces in *I R E L A N D*.

LICENSED, *Aug.* 28. 1689.

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SINCE my last the News is very great : For we are certainly informed, That Coll. *Sarsfeild* and his Party are totally routed. The manner as we hear, this Coll. *Sarsfeild* hearing of the Landing of his Grace *D. Scombergh*, and the defeat of the Lord *Montcastle*, began to be afraid of himself, and therefore not believing he was strong enough to prevent the Men of *Iniskillin* from joining his Grace, which he mainly desir'd to hinder, call'd a Council of War, where it was resolv'd to send a faithful Messenger to the *French* General *Monsieur d' Avaux*, to advance with those Forces which he had under his command, giving him also to understand, That Coll. *Sarsfeild* would decamp at the same time, and join him the next day by such an Hour. The Letter being thus written and directed to *Monsieur d' Avaux*, was delivered to a Trusty Messenger, and such a one he might probably have been, had not Providence thrown him into the hands of the Protestants. For some of the *Iniskillin* Scouts being abroad in the Road between Coll. *Sarsfeild* and *Monsieur d' Avaux*, intercepted this faithful Messenger

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